They Will be on Unusually Lavish Scale This Year.

ROYAL VISITORS TO ATTEND.

The Canal Bill Provides an Expendi ture of 384,000,000 Marks-No One Believes German Troops Will Return Very Shortly.

(By Associated Press.)

RERIAN, Jan. 12.—The enlarged canal
bill, introduced in the Lower House of the
Diet to-day, provides for a total expendi-ture of 281,000,000 marks. The finance min-

ture of 281,000,000 marks. The finance min-ister is ompowered to sell bonds to raise the necessary funds.

The opening speech of the Imperial Chancellor, Count von Buelow, in the Prussian Biet, Tuesday, which was large-ly programmatic, is here considered the leading political event of the week. The entire press is still busy commenting on and interpreting his remarks. Only the extreme Leftists are wholly dissatisfied

The China bill will not be disposed of by the Reichstag for some time, as the Bunde-erath has only just received the Govern-ment bill, fixing the China soldiers pen-

German political circles opine that the Chinese problem is still a long way off from a definite solution, as the question from a definite solution, as the question of damages will occupy much time in Pekin. Nobody here believes that Field Marshal Count von Waldersee, or the German troops, will be withdrawn by

German troops, will be windrawn by March.

The opinion here rather inclines to another year clapsing before that happens, although it is well known that Russia strongly desires Ven Waidersee's retirement, and that of the German troops.

COULT FESTIVITIES.

The coming week begins the season of court festivities, the Emperor and Empress having moved to the Berlin Schloss. The dast season was greatly subdued, because of the death of the Empress, mother, hence this winter will be doubly festive. The festivities commence Thursday and Friday next, with the Bicentenary of the Declaration of Prussian Kingdom, which the Emperor intends to make a great event. The preparations therefor are nearly completed.

ly completed.

The main event will be at the Berlin Schloss, to which delegations from everywhere in the Kingdom will go to con-

Tratulate the Emperor.

Austria sends its Crown Prince, Italy
the Duke of Aostama, Great Britain the

Duke of York. The 27th is Emperor William's birth-The 27th is Emperor winding so that day, which will also be festively kept.

Those who are thoroughly acquainted with the Chinese hold that while they are most crafty, still, when the note is signed they will consider themselves bound. The Foreign Office also hopefully considers the Dowager Empress case. It believes that while the Dowager Empress is still more or less under anti-foreign influence, she will eventually change her attitude and return to Pekin with the whole Court, probably at the of March or the beginning of April.

#### A FATAL DOSE.

Quick Or The Dead Too Powerful For Delicate Organization of a Lady.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) (Special Dispatch to The Times.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Jan. 12.—
News reached here this morning that
Mrs. Angeline Suverdrop, a beautiful
young woman of Brooklyn, N. Y., dropped
dead at 2 o'clock this morning, after sitting up to finish reading Amelie Rives'
novel, "The Quick or the Dead." As she
finished the last line on the last page of
the novel she fainted away and never recovered.

#### PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Interesting Facts About Richmond's Citizens and Other Matters.

The Committee on Health will meet Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Chas. J. Johnson is confined to his home, No. 512 North Twenty-seventh Street, with la grippe. Miss Effic Lacy will leave the city Tuesday for New York, where she will

spend the remainder of the winter.

Koerner Lodge, No. 3, of Hermann Sons will give a masquerade ball at Sanger Hall to-morrow night. There will be four nitractive prizes. Councilman Stein is chairman of the Committe of Arrange Councilman Stein is

Paul's Church, arrived in the city yester-day afternoon, and will occupy his pulpit at St. Paul's, morning and evening, to-day. Mrs. Strange, who was to accom-pany him, was detained in Laurence-ville, owing to the illness of her mother

Detective Tomlinson has returned from Washington, where he went Friday ex-pecting to bring back a negro wanted for stealing a set of harness in this city. The man under arrest in that city was the

Pa and Mrs. Tinstman, of Pittsburg, Pa rae visiting Mrs. George Cooper, No. 414 East Grace Street, for a few days. They are on their way to Florida, where they will spend the winter.

#### GENTILLY HANDICAP.

Ed, Gartland, the Favorite, Proved an Easy Winner.

Easy Winner.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 12.—The Gentilly Handicap, at six and a half furlongs, was the principal event on to-day's card, and proved an easy victory for the favorite, Ed. Gartland, II., whose price was cut from threes to twos. Lady Curzon was the only other successful favorite. The weather was fair and the track very heavy Summaries:

heavy. Summaries:

Pirst race-mile and a sixteenth-Indian G to 1) first, Emigre (6 to 5 and 1 to 2) second, Randy (12 to 1) third. Time, 2:05.
Second race—six furlongs—Lady Curzon (8 to 5) first, Barricade (12 to 1 and 4 to 1) second, Mitt Boykin (10 to 1) third. Time

Third race-Handicap Steeplechase, short

Third race—Handicap Steepiechase, snort course—Harve B. (90 to 1) first, Divertisement (25 to 1 and 8 to 1) second, Brakeman (2 to 1) third. Time, 3:35-1-4.

Fourth race—The Gentilly Handicap, six and a half furlougs—Ed. Gartland U. (2 to 3) first, Bummer (5 to 1) second, Moroni (5 to 1) third. Time, 1:30.

Witth race—secon furlours—Bean G to 1) Fifth race-seven furlongs-Bean (7 to 1)

first, Quite Eight (7 to 2 and 6 to 5) second Gracious (6 to 5) third. Time, 1:401-2.
Sixth race—six furlongs—Lady Contrary
(5 to 1) first, Wood Trice (10 to 1 and 3 to It second, Scrivener (8 to 5) third. Time

#### Checker Tournament.

A checker tournament was commenced at the Chess and Checker Club Friday and will be open to all entries until to-morrow. Those desiring to enter the tournament can be present at the club rooms, on Eighth between Broad and Marshall Streets, or can leave their names with W. R. Harwood, No. 819 East Broad At present there are nine entries, and it is the desire of the club that all who may desire to enter the tournament may do so, whether members of the club or not. hotel, as he does:

The fee will be twenty-five cents and the

#### **Impaired** Digestion

now, but it will be it neglected.

The uneasiness after eating, fits of nervous headache, sourness of the stomach, and disagreeable belching may not be very bad now, but they will be if the stomach is suffered to grow weaker.

Dyspepsia is such a miserable disease that the tendency to it should be given early attention. This is completely overcome by Hood's SarsapariNa

winner will receive a prize. The rules will be that each player shall play six games with each entry and that the one holding the largest percentage shall be declared the winner.

which strengthens the whole digestive system

## ENGINEER KILLED.

Richmond Men Go Down In a Wreck

Near Alberene. (Special Dispatch to The Times.) SCOTTSVILLE, VA., Jan. 42.—Word has been received here that at Cole's treate on the Alberene branch of the Chesapeake

on the Alberene branch of the Chesapeake and Ohio Baliway, about three miles cast of Alberene, local freight engine, No. 191 and three cars of train No. 57 weathound, jumped the track on a curve at the end of the treathe.

Engineer W. Herbert McCartney and Fleman Criften H. Cay were caught under the ruins and the former was Kiled, and Clay in u. 61. The 1et of the crew escaped without injury.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

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CHARLOTTESVILLE., VA., Jan. 12.—
Local freight train No. 57 from Richmond
to Alberene, was derailed about 4:15
o'clock this afternoon on a trestle near
Alberene. 39 feet high. The flange on a
wheel of the tender broke while the train
was running rapidly, and caused the engine to leave the track, dragging three
cars with it, and all falling to the bottom.
Engineer W. Herbert McCartney, of
Richmond, went down with his engine,
and was caught under the wreek and
killed. Fireman Charles Clay, also of
Richmond, escaped with his life, but is
badly injured.

The trestle was not greatly damaged.

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Reports received at the general offices of the Chesapeake and Onio yesterday evening indicate that Clay's injuries are not especially serious. The wounded man and the remains of Engineer McCartney were brought to Richmond on a special train, arriving here about 11 o'clock. The body of the dead engineer was removed. body of the dead engineer was removed to Christians undertaking rooms and prepared for burial. The injured fireman was taken to the Virginia Hospital, where at a late hour last night hopes were enter

a late flour last light frequency was about thirty-five years of age and is survived by a widow and four children, who reside at No. 527 South Laurel Street.

Mr. Clay resides at No. 523 South Laurel, the is about twenty-three years of age.

He is about twenty-three years of age, and single.

#### AMUSEMENTS.

Although Denman Thompson has been playing the character of Joshua Whitcomb for nearly a quarter of a century there has been no abatement of his popularity. The Old Homestead appeals alike to the boxes and to the gallery, and the capacity of the Academy was taxed to its capacity at the two performances yesterday. It is certain that audiences were never better pleased. The play depends principally on the faithful types of living folk presented.

There is a delightful absence of the

There is a delightful absence of the theatre element that mars so many otherwise excellent plays. It is a play that pleases again and again—in truth it gains in interest each time it is seen. Of the work of Denman Thompson it is hardly work of Benman Hompson It is narray necessary to speak. Neill Eurgess and Richard Golden never reached the perfec-tion that Denman Thompson has attained, although they were excellent players of the rural drama. His acting has gained the rural drama. His acting has gained in mellowness and sincerity. The many varied types were well differentiated. Particularly good was the Cy Prime of Charles Carter, who has played the part for many years, Charles H. Clark as L. R. Perkins, and Mrs. Louisa Morse as Aunt Matida were also worthy of special mention.

Refore the Faculty,

A meeting of the Richmond College faculty was held last night, at which Mr. Robert Pollard, editor of the College weekly, Olla Podrida, and author of the editorial which appeared in that paper criticising the faculty, appeared. It was impossible to learn last night from Mr. Pollard, or any member of the faculty, what action was taken, though there was a rumer that the faculty ordered the suspension of Olla Podrida. This could not be confirmed, however. be confirmed, however.

#### Will Sell the "Nat."

The Government yacht "Nat," that was badly crippled by the lee gorge last winter, will be sold on February 5th. The yacht was used by the Government official to making surveys along the given cials in making surveys along the river. Chief Engineer Yonge says the boat is rather small for their use and repairs will cost too much. The tug Leslie is now being used for the work.

#### THEY OPPOSE SWANSON.

A Dissolute Husband Punished By the Court.

several weeks ago, telling her he had a voman who would take care of him, was fined \$10 in the Police Court this morning,

and the weman \$10. Mariah Elizabeth, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Taylor, died this morning from spinal meningitis.

#### Fancral of Dr. Epes.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
BLACKSTONE, VA., Jan. 12.—The remains of Dr. James P. Epes arrived here yesterday from Brooklya, N. Y., and were buried to-day in the family buryingground at the residence of Hon. J. F. Epes, his father. The burial services were conducted by Dr. T. P. Epes, assisted by Rey, J. B. Doan A large number ed by Rev. J. R. Doan. A large number of people were present to pay their last sad rite to the memory of the deceased.

#### Telegraphic Brevities.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The National
Congress of Mothers has accepted the inditation of Columbus, O., as the place for

BRUSSELS, Jan. 12.—The Indepen-dance Belge's St. Petersburg correspondent announces that the Russian Government has ordered the Novoe Vremya to cease its attacks upon the French Gov-ernment and upon General Andre, the French minister of war.

ROME, Jan. 12.—The Osservatore Romano publishes a Latin poem written by the Pope on the occasion of the be-ginning of the new century.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Secretary Gage has recommended to the House that an appropriation of \$35,000 be made for locating a light-houses at Cape Romano,

THE HAGUE Jan 12—Drs. Vickhuysen and Coerte say Mr. Kruger is completely destored to health. Divine service tomorrow will however, be held at his hotel, as he does not wish to go out in

# IN MEMORY OF MR. EVAN SNEAD

Clay Ward Actives Eulogize Their Dead Leader.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE TO MEET.

Another Hot Week In Politics-Primary Elections Will Be Held Here-Mr. Harman to Suceced Mr. Snead.

The Clay Ward Actives met in regular session last night at Belvidere Hall, but on account of the death of Mr. Evan Snead, the late lamented president of the Club, no further business was transacted than the pronouncing of eulogies upon the life and character of the dead leader and the appointment of committees to attend his funeral and to draft sultable resolu-tions upon his death. First Vice-Previ-dent Henry L. Carter presided and Mr. P. L. Wade acted as secretary. Mr. Carter, speaking from the chair, an-nounced the death of Mr. Snead in a most feeling manner, and Mr. J. P. Pettis moved the agreements of the committee of the

the appointment of a committee of five on resolutions and three members of the club from each precinct in the Ward to attend the funeral.

In seconding the motion offered by Mr. Pettis, Colonel John S. Harwood and Capt. B. A. Jacob made brief but touching speeches in culogy of Mr. Snead.

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Mr. Pettis' motion was unnimously adopted and the chair appointed the Toilowing committees:

Committee on resolutions—J. Garland Pollard, S. H. Cottrell, M. Fill Seay, B. T. August and Peter Krug.

Committee to represent the club at the funeral of Mr. Snead at Pine-Street Church this afternoon at 4 o'clock—First precinct, John F. Jacob, Charles I. Philips, R. L. Winston; second precinct, R. T. Davis, O. A. Hawkins, T. M. Brennan; third precinct, W. O. Steger, Phillip Hellstern, Charles iMettert; fourth precinct, E. J. Walton, J. P. Pettis, P. L. Wade; Fifth precinct, Clyde W. Saunders, Joseph Frith and Robert Parker. The club ordered that a handsome floral design be sent to the funeral.

funeral. A SPECIAL MEETING.
As a further mark of respect, the club
then adjourned to meet in special session

then adjourned to meet in special session next Saturday night, when the committee appointed will report a set of resolutions upon the death of Mr. Snead.

At the meeting next Saturday night the question of redistricting the city will be taken up and the committee appointed to formulate a plan looking to this end will report. Citizens of the Ward other than members of the ciub are invited to be present and take part in the meeting. It seems pretty well settled that Mr. A. C. Harman, the well-known real estate agent, will be chosen to succeed Mr. Snead in

Harman, the well-known real estate agent, will be chosen to succeed Mr. Snead in the Board of Aldermen.

The term will not expire until July 1, 1962. Mr. Harman is a clear-headed, conservative, representative clitzen and is very popular in the West End as well as in the city at large. He was a candidate for the House of Delegates in 1899 and came very near winning. He is at present a member of the Board of Directors of the Virginia Penlientary, and takes an active interest in public affairs.

He will most likely be chosen at the next meeting of the Board.

ANOTHER WEEK OF POLITICS.
An event which will paye the way for a lively week in politics in Richmond will

An event which will pave the way for a lively week in politics in Richmond will be the meeting of the Electoral College of the State, which will take place here to-morrow to cast the twelve votes of Virginia for Bryan and Stevenson for President and Vice-President of the United States, respectively, according to the result of the election held in November left for these offices.

ber last for these offices.

Among the electors are several prominent candidates for offices soon to be given out, and their presence here will naturally give rise to much political dis-

At-Large—John L. Jeffries, of Culpeper, and William Hodges Mann, of Nottoway, First District, Thomas J. Downing, Lancaster; Second District, John Whitehead, Norfolk; Third District, Samuel L. Kelley, Richmond city; Fourth District, Robert Turnbull, Brunswick; Fifth District Europe, Withers, Danville; Sixth trict, Eugene Withers, Danville: enth District, R. S. Parks, Page: Eighth District, Lewis H, Machen, Fairfax; Ninth District, R. Ttate Irvine, Wise: Tenth District, Pembroke Pettit, Fluvanna, After formally casting the vote of the State and making out and signing the State and making out and signing the necessary papers, the college will choose a messenger to bear the returns to Washington and place them in the hands of the secretary of the United States Senate, it seems highly probable that Mr. J. S. Hankins, chief clerk to Secretary Lawless, will be given the honor.

TWO STRONG CANDIDATES.

Ludge William Hodges Many is a

Judge William Hodges Mann is a prominent candidate for the judgdship to succeed the late Judge Riely, of Hallfax, in the Court of Appeals, and Senator John L. Jeffries is regarded as the leading Convention, so it is probable that their

presence here will displace the Governor-ship as the leading political topic for a time and turn the attention of the lead-ers to the offices to which they aspire. The race for judge of the Supreme Court will be settled by the Democratic caucus of the extra session of the Legislature, and Judges Whittle, Mann and Phiegar are the leading aspirants, Judge R. R. Prentis, of Norfolk, is said to be developing considerable strength, especially in ing considerable strength, especially is the Tidewater section of the State, and the battle is going to be one of the most spirited ever fought out in the State. While the Attorney-Generalship fight will not be settled before next summer, will be a live topic in political circles

WILL HAVE PRIMARIES. In view of the fact that so many con-flicting forecasts have been made regard-ing the probable action of the City Demratic Committee on the question of how delegates shall be chosen to represent Rehmond in the next State Democratic convention, the views of a number of leading members of the committee have been secured, and are given below. They show conclusively, that there is no disposition to hold ward meetings, and that

primary election will be held. Mr. Clyde W. Saunders, who is one of the frankest as well as one of the most influential members of the committee, stated emphatically yesterday that as a matter of principle he favored prima-ries in all compaigns where there was a ries in all compaigns where there was a spirited contest, either between principles

Mr. Saunders said he voted for ward-meetings to send delegates to the Nor-folk Convention last year, in order to save expense, as there was no hot contest up and the people were taking very little interest in the matter.

NO WARD MEETINGS.

"But I shall never east my vote," concluded Mr. Saunders, "ugainst what I believe to be the wishes of my people, and, believing that they desire a primary in which to express their choice for gov-ernor. I shall give that plan my hearty support." He did not think there was the remotest possibility of the committee adopting a ward-meeting plan. Mr. H. M. Tyler, long the treasurer of the committee, and one of its decided

of the matter, and believes that a primary plan will surely be adopted.

Chairman James W. Gordon is another primary man on principle, and balieves enders, takes practically the same view

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expressing their wishes on party ques-ns. He believes a primary plan will

Money back? Certainly.

be adopted.

Superintendent Ordway Puller, of Mon-rue Ward, who is another man of much influence on the Committee, will fight ward meetings to the last ditch, and be-lieves from the conversation he has had colleagues that no such plan will

be offered.

A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE.

Mr. Jefferson Wallace, ex-chairman of the Committee, and now a leading member of the Advisory Committee, whose popularity and advice count for a great deal, is opposed to ward meetings in tito, and will work for a plan that will give the people an opportunity to express their natranimelied choice for Governor of Virginia. So it does not seem that working with these and other et all probable, with these and other at all probable, with these and other potent factors at work for a primary plan, that one providing for ward meet-ings will be even offered, when the com-mittee meets to deal with the proposition. Or course, there are many kinds of primary election plans, and there is no settled notice in the committee vot. 25 settled policy in the committee yet as to which will be adopted, but one thing has been settled in advance of the meet-ing, and that is that a primary will be

TOO MANY ELECTIONS. It is the opinion of a great many promi-nent party leaders that the coming Con-stitutional Convention will inaugurate some sweeping reforms along the line of abolishing and consolidating offices in the

State.

It is held by those who favor the idea that there are entirely too many elections in the State at present, and that the system now in vogue keeps the people stirred up from one year's end to another with elections and political matters, the number of which might easily be reduced, and at the same time result in an improved public service and a saving of expense to the tax-payers of the State.

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It is proposed by some to consolidate the spring and fall elections so that the people might have an occasional surcease from the excitement and cares entailed. by oft repeated controversies, and it is also contended that the number of elective offices should be reduced. APPOINT COMMISSIONERS.

The suggestion is offered that commissioners of the revenue as well as many other officers in the counties should be appointed rather than continues by the people, and that the office of county treasurer and sheriff might well be consolidated. It is also suggested that the terms of the commonwealth's attorneys should be

judicial districts, having one attorney for several counties.

There is hardly a doubt that the matter of reducing the number of elective of-fices and otherwise doing away with the necessity for so many elections is a popu-lar movment with the people, as on al-most every hand it is heard that there is Judge L. L. Lewis is being mentioned for delegate to the Constitutional Con-vention. While he is a Republican, many Democrats, especially among the business and professional men, have express-

ed a desire to see him elected. Judge Lewis served for twelve years as President of the Court of Appeals and he is regarded as one of the ablest lawyers n the city. Mr. K. D. Urquhart, of Saltville, Wash-

ington county, one of the most prominent Democrats in his section, is in the city. He says he believes Attorney-Genera Montague will get a majority of the dele gates for Governor in the south-west. Mr. Urquhart thinks ex-Senator B. F. Buch-anan, of Smyth, will certainly be one of South-west's representatives in the Con titutional Convention. THE GOVERNOR'S SALARY.

The Bill Increasing It Will Likely Be Withdrawn.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 12.—Strong opposition to the bill passed by the Senate yesterday increasing the salary of the Governor to \$4.000 developed when it came up for concurrence in the House this afternoon. A special committee reported it favorably, but Graham (Dem.) opposed action and succeeded in restling a nostaction and succeeded in getting a post-ponement until Monday, when it will be the special order for 11:30 o'clock. Action must be taken Monday or the act will not be effective in providing the increase of salary for Aycock, the incoming Gov

Some members contend that the act cannot affect him anyway, because the constitutional term begins January 1st and the salary cannot be increased during his term. A prominent Democratic mem-ber said to-day that the principal opposi-tion was for the reason that they did not care to provide for an increase of salary if Aycock will not profit by it, as politics is so unsettled in the State that they would have chagrin of realization finally that their work would provide a larger income for a Republican or other political alien Governor.

alten Governor.

It is intimated that friends of Aycock may request and secure the withdrawal of the bill Monday rather than precipitate a fight over the matter.

A bill was introduced in the Senate to-

A bill was introduced in the senate to-day for incorporating a State Optical Society and providing for the establish-ment of a Board of Examiners, through whom a license must be obtained before a person can practice optics in the State. The principal object is to put a stop to fake traveling opticians, who now go through the State misadjusting glasses to the eyes of citizens, and, it is charged, doing a vast and irreparable injury.

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# HORTICULTURE IN OLD VIRGINIA

Striking Literature Issued by the State Society-

SHOT HIS WIFE FOR A RABBIT.

There Were No Witnesses and the Husband Went Free-An Elegant Reception to Richmond Lady-The Thursday Club.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

BEDFORD CITY, VA., January 12—
The annual report of the Virginia Horticultural Society has just been issued. The booklet contains many half-tone illustrations, showing apple, peach and plum trees in various stages of growth and rees in various stages of growth and rultage. These are made from actua photographs of leading orchards, and from the prodigal yield of splendid fruit and the beautiful appearance of the trees-one is forced to recognize that these pioneer fruit-raisers or Virginia are rull abreast with the most intelligent cultur tnown to horticulturists.

The pamphlet is teening with useful information, and every Virginia grower should read the practical experience of the men who have done so much toward developing this industry in the State. TABLE OF CONTENTS

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Alwood, of Blacksburg; "Some Obresvations on the Local Spread of San Jose
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KILLED HIS WIFE.

Alonzo Burdett, a negro, who shot and killed his wife, thinking she was a rabbit, was tried and acquitted in the County Court this week. It seems that Burdett was returning, gun in hand, from a country store, and followed the line of the road inside the fields, while his wife, who was with him, kert the path along the road itself. A rabbit was started,

and Burdett, all excitement, when the leaves moved, fired away, but killed his wife, while Ber Rabbit escaped. At least, this was Burdett's story, and there was no one present to contradlet.

Mr. Leslie Morris, of Richmond, was granted a certificate by the County Court to apply to the Court of Appeals for license to practice law.

An elegant reception was given at "Lakewood" Friday afternoon by Mrs. James L. Nichols and her daughters, Mrs. Charles L. Mosby, of Richmond, and Miss Nichols, who is home for the winter, after spending two seasons in New York. This suburban home, always handsome,

Nichols, who is home for the winter, atter spending two seasons in New York. This suburban home, always handsome, was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and in every detail the reception proved to be one of the most delightful occasions of the year.

THE THURSDAY CLUB.
The Thursday Club was entertained on the day of its name by Mrs. J. A. Clary at her home, on Bedford Avenue.
The subject for discussion was the early history of Virginia, and Mrs. Walter Ruan read an admirable paper on this interesting period. Mrs. Nannie Jeter read an original sketch of the literature of the early days of the State's history. These were followed by an animated discussion of dainty refreshments served by the hostess, and this was participated in by the entire organization without a demurrer.

Mr. Edgar Haywood, of New York, is visiting his mother, Mrs. L. D. Haywood, on Bedford Avenue.

Mr. John M. Smith Tobacco Company. Mrs. Smith starts at the same time for a visit to Davenpor', Ia., her former home. The Society of the Refused and Left-Over Bachelors of the Nineteenth Century served for themselves on oyster supper on Friday evening at the Campbell House. These excellent gentlemen, although marked "refuse," decided to be cheerful under adversity, and a few even stated they had chosen single biessedness from choice and free agency. These were in the minority, however, and from the evidence of pates becoming balt it was safe they had wooed and lost so long ago the memeory of the time had faded. The emigority enjoyed the oysters as ago the memeory of the time had faded. The emajority enjoyed the oysters as members suffering singleness, as not with-out loope even for a reason, and these resolved anew at the opening of the cen-tury to try, try again.

Albemarle Club.

The Board of Governors of the Albe-marle Club met last night and transacted only routine business. The matter of a new club-house was not considered. At the meeting next Friday night the ques-tion may be discussed. CHRISTADELPHIAN.

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